

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121 and 1.125 (as amended to date) please enter the substitute specification in clean form and including paragraph numbers [0001] through [0067] attached hereto as Appendix A. A marked-up substitute specification to clearly identify amendments to the specification as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3)(iii) is attached hereto as Appendix B. It is respectfully submitted that the substitute specification does not introduce new matter into the above-referenced patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 28 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 23, 26, 27, 41, 44, 45 and 48 have been amended herein. All of the claims that remain pending and under consideration in the above-referenced application are presented, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(c)(1)(i) and 1.121(c)(3), in clean form, for the sake of clarity, in Appendix C attached hereto. Please enter these claims as amended. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii), a marked-up version of each amended claim to clearly identify each change that has been made thereto is attached hereto as Appendix D.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Accompanying this Amendment is a Letter to the Chief Draftsman submitting proposed revisions to FIG. 6. Approval of the revised figure is respectfully requested.